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The Indiana Department of Correction Helps “Make a Smile” for Youths Affected by Hurricane Katrina

Indianapolis, Indiana (August 19, 2008)—The Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) recently made a large donation worth \$8,408.18 to the North American Association of Wardens and Superintendents (NAAWS) and its “Make a Smile” campaign.

The “Make a Smile” program provides assistance to youth of areas affected by Hurricane Katrina by helping build or rebuild playgrounds and providing equipment to bring fun and recreation back to the children there.

Facilities that submitted contributions for the campaign included the Westville Correctional Facility, Branchville Correctional Facility, Indiana State Prison, Miami Correctional Facility, Pendleton Correctional Facility, Madison Correctional Facility, and Wabash Valley Correctional Facility.

“I am proud of the way IDOC facilities showed their support for the ‘Make a Smile’ campaign. The large donation demonstrates an overwhelming sense of compassion and willingness to help out the less fortunate, and I am glad the IDOC could be a part of it,” stated Commissioner Edwin G. Buss.

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